selling done by the Medical Course Admission Committee.

Import of Cineraria Maritime Schwabe Eye Drops

2830. SHRI JAGIR SINGH DARD : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether specification of Cineraria Maritime has been included in the Homoeopathic pharmacopoeia of India, Volume V;

(b) if so, whether Cineraria Maritime Schwabe Eye Drops being imported into the country is being tested according to specifications laid down in Homoeopathic pharmacopeia of India; and

(c) if not, the reasons thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (c) CM Schwabe eye drops is not included in HPI and as such this is tested as per the label claims.

Inclusion of Homoeopathic Medicines in the HPI

2831. SHRI JAGIR SINGH DARD : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether according to Second schedule of Drugs and Cosmetics Act Homoeopathic Medicines included in the HPI should be tested according to HPI;

(b) whether Cineraria Maritime is included in HPI;

(c) whether Cineraria Maritime now being imported is being tested according to HPI; and

(d) what is the reaction of Government in the matter ?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) Cineraria Maritime Succus is included in HPI, but it is not being imported presently. Cineraria Maritime Schwabe Drops being presently imported are not included in HPI and are, therefore, tested on label claims.

Testing of Cineraria Maritime Schwabe Eye Drops

2832. SHRI JAGIR SINGH DARD : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government had insisted in 1989 that Cineraria Maritime Succus should comply with provision of HPI, Vol. V;

(b) whether Cineraria Maritime Schwabe eye drops now being imported is being tested according to label claim and not according to HPI; and

(c) if so, what is difference in composition of active ingredients in both the products and why Government are not insisting for testing of Cineraria Maritime Schwabe eye drops according to the provisions of HPI, Vol. V ?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The difference between Cineraria Maritime Schwabe and Cineraria Maritime Succus is as follows :—

Cineraria Maritima Schwabe	
CM pressed Juice	50%
Ethyl Alcohol	9.263%
Glycerine	10%
Corrigentiae ad	100%
Cineraria Maritime Succus	
CM extracted Juice	87%
Ethyl Alcohol	8%
Glycerine	5%
Phenyl mercuric nitrate	0.0001%

Since Cineraria Maritime Schwabe eye drops is not covered by HPI it is tested as per label claims.

National Health Insurance Contribution

2833. SHRI VIRENDRA KATARIA : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any proposal to introduce National Health Insurance contribution by the citizens of the country to achieve uniform availability of health care facilities; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?